

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) In a computer network having an advisory module operable to communicate with a management system through a network device, the management system managing operations of one or more field service providers employed to provide a service, a method for providing advisory information to the management system, the method comprising:

receiving collected data related to the service being provided by the one or more field service providers, wherein the collected data is business data associated with a specific customer account for which the service is being provided;

determining whether the collected data indicates a time-critical situation associated with the specific customer account;

if the collected data indicates a time-critical situation, mapping the data conclusion to time-critical advisory information; and

responsive to the operation of mapping the data conclusion to time-critical advisory information, establishing a communication session with the management system, wherein the time-critical advisory information is presented to the management system through the network device during the established communication session.

2. (Previously Presented) A method as defined in claim 1, further comprising:
if the collected data is associated with a non time-critical situation, mapping the data conclusion to non time-critical advisory information; and
storing the non time-critical advisory information in a storage module.

3. (Original) A method as defined in claim 2, further comprising:
producing a copy of the time-critical advisory information; and
storing the copy of the time-critical advisory information in the storage module.

4-7. (Canceled)

8. (Original) A method as defined in claim 1 further comprising:
receiving an instruction from the management system requesting that the time-critical advisory information be provided to a field service provider; and

presenting the time-critical advisory information directly to the field service provider.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Previously Presented) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein the operation of determining whether the collected data is associated with a time-critical situation comprises:
analyzing the collected data against an escalation rule to determine whether the collected data satisfies time-critical criterion.

11. (Original) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein the presenting act comprises:
transmitting time-critical advisory information to a network device used by the management system in interacting with the advisory module via the computer network.

12. (Original) A method as defined in claim 11, wherein the network device is a computing module and the advisory information is in the form of a script.

13. (Original) A method as defined in claim 12, wherein the script is in a form selected from the group consisting of an audio script, a textual script, a binary script and an audio/visual script.

14. (Original) A method as defined in claim 13, wherein the management system is a computing system communicating with the advisory module via a computer-based language.

15. (Original) A method as defined in claim 13, wherein the management system is a person receiving natural language scripts from the advisory module.

16. (Currently Amended) A network advisory system interacting with a management system, the network advisory system comprising:

~~a data collector~~ means for receiving collected data related to the service being provided by one or more field service providers managed by the management system, wherein the

collected data is business data associated with a specific customer account for which the service is being provided;

~~an escalation module~~ means for receiving the collected data and analyzing the collected data to determine whether the collected data indicates a time-critical situation associated with the specific customer account;

~~a mapping module~~ means for mapping the collected data to time-critical advisory information if the escalation module determines that the collected data indicates a time-critical situation; and

~~a registration/communication module~~ means for presenting the time-critical advisory information to the management system in response to the mapping module mapping the collected data being to time-critical advisory information.

17-18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) A network advisory system as defined in claim 16, wherein the ~~registration/communication module~~ presenting means presents the time-critical advisory information to a field service provider upon receiving a request from the management system instructing the ~~registration/communication module~~ presenting means to provide the time-critical advisory information to the field service provider.

20. (Currently Amended) A network advisory system as defined in claim 16 further comprising:

~~a storage module~~ means for storing the time-critical advisory information, wherein the registration/communication module presenting means retrieves the time-critical advisory information stored in the ~~storage module~~ storing means and transmits the time-critical advisory information to a requesting entity accessing the network advisory system via a communication device.

21. (Canceled)

22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently Amended) In a computer network having a server computer operable to communicate with a management system through a network device, a method for providing advisory information to a field service provider, the advisory information generated from collected data being associated with a service being provided at a destination location wherein the collected data is business data associated with a specific customer account for which the service is being provided, the method comprising:

determining whether the collected data identifies a time-critical situation associated with the specific customer account;

if the collected data identifies a time-critical situation, mapping the collected data to time-critical advisory information;

responsive to the operation of mapping the collected data to time-critical advisory information, presenting the time-critical advisory information to the management system via the network device;

receiving a request from the management system to present the time-critical advisory information to the field service provider; and

presenting the time-critical advisory information to the field service provider.

24. (Original) A method as defined in claim 23, wherein the time-critical advisory information is in the form of a script.

25. (Original) A method as defined in claim 23, wherein the management system presents the time-critical advisory information to the field service provider.

26. (Original) A method as defined in claim 23 further comprises selecting one or more appropriate field service providers to receive the time-critical advisory information and wherein the operation of presenting the time-critical advisory information comprises presenting the time-critical advisory information to each of the one or more field service providers.

27. (Currently Amended) A computer program product readable by a computing system and encoding a computer program of instructions for executing a computer process for

providing advisory information to a management system in a computer network having an advisory module operable to communicate with the management system through a network device, the management system managing operations of one or more field service providers employed to provide a service, the computer process comprising:

receiving collected data related to the service being provided by the one or more field service providers, wherein the collected data is business data associated with a specific customer account for which the service is being provided;

determining whether the collected data indicates a time-critical situation associated with the specific customer account;

if the collected data indicates a time-critical situation, mapping the data conclusion to time-critical advisory information; and

responsive to the operation of mapping the data conclusion to time-critical advisory information, establishing a communication session with the management system, wherein the time-critical advisory information is presented to the management system through the network device during the established communication session.

28. (Previously Presented) The computer process in the computer program product of claim 27, wherein the computer process further comprises:

if the collected data is associated with a non time-critical situation, mapping the data conclusion to non time-critical advisory information; and

storing the non time-critical advisory information in a storage module.

29. (Previously Presented) The computer process in the computer program product of claim 27, wherein the computer process further comprises:

producing a copy of the time-critical advisory information; and

storing the copy of the time-critical advisory information in the storage module.

30. (Canceled)

31. (Canceled)

32. (Previously Presented) The computer process in the computer program product of claim 27, wherein the computer process further comprises:

receiving an instruction from the management system requesting that the time-critical advisory information be provided to a field service provider; and

presenting the time-critical advisory information directly to the field service provider.

33. (Previously Presented) The computer process in the computer program product of claim 27, wherein the operation of determining whether the collected data is associated with a time-critical situation comprises:

analyzing the collected data against an escalation rule to determine whether the collected data satisfies time-critical criterion.

34-51. (Canceled)